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Conservation Report Another Example of Liberal Broken Promises

Report Masks Liberal Failures to Reduce Energy Consumption

(Toronto, ON) - In response to today's Annual Report issued by the Conservation Bureau, Progressive Conservative Party Energy Critic MPP John Yakabuski said that the numbers revealed are misleading and reflect nothing more than yet another broken promise by the McGuinty government.

"This report is another disappointment for Ontario and a clear reflection that the McGuinty Liberals have never had a plan for energy in this province," Yakabuski said. "They promised to help Ontario homes and businesses reduce their costs and cut their electricity consumption by 5% by 2007 and reduce the Ontario governments own electricity usage by 10%. These targets have not been met and this report is an attempt to mask the governments own failure."

Yakabuski went on to say that the reports findings do not reveal that overall energy consumption levels in 2005 have increased by 0.5% from the same period in 2003 while annual consumption is up by 3.5% in 2005 versus 2003.

Yakabuski noted that this announcement is just another example of the government's willingness to say anything to get elected and its misleading concealment of the truth. "It is high time that Premier McGuinty focus on getting real results for Ontarian's rather than devising splashy media announcements that waste precious tax payer dollars," Yakabuski said. "Convenient statistics cannot hide the truth that promises have again been broken by this government on the energy file."

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